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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT



SPONSOR: Robinson DATE TYPED: 02/12/02 HB _____

SHORT TITLE: Reparation for Substandard Education SB 170

ANALYST: Sandoval

REVENUE

Estimated Revenue		Subsequent Years Impact	Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY02	FY03			
	NFI			

(Parenthesis () Indicate Revenue Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC files

Responses Received From
Children, Youth and Families Department
New Mexico State Department of Education

No Response
Attorney General's Office

SUMMARY

Senate Bill 170 requires the Attorney General to seek reparations in the amount of \$5 billion from the federal government for the provision of 130 years of substandard education and educational facilities for Native American children in New Mexico. These reparations are to be sought on behalf of all Native American children and adults who are now receiving, who should be receiving or who should have received an education pursuant to federal treaty obligations and the federal government guardianship policies.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

Indeterminate

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

None reported.

OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES

According to the New Mexico State Department of Education, this bill does not provide direction as to how any reparations received from the federal government will be allocated.

POSSIBLE QUESTIONS

1. How will reparations that may be received from the federal government be allocated?
2. Can an impact be measured that is the result of the education that was provided by the federal government for the past 130 years and if so what is that impact?
3. Does the Attorney General have the resources necessary to meet the requirement of this bill?
4. What is required of New Mexico in order to pursue this issue?

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